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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING AND OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications and Energy
One South Station
Boston, MA 02110

Re: Bay State Gas Company, D.T.E. 06-36

Dear Ms. Cottrell:

Enclosed for filing, on behalf of Bay State Gas Company ("Bay State"), are Bay State's responses to the following Information Requests:

SPR 2-1 SPR 2-2 (BULK) SPR 2-3 SPR 2-4

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Patricia M. French

cc: Julie Howley Westwater, Esq., Hearing Officer
Jamie M. Tosches, Esq., Office of the Attorney General
Service List (Electronic Service per the Ground Rules)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

RESPONSE OF BAY STATE GAS COMPANY TO THE
SECOND SET OF INFORMATION REQUESTS FROM SPRAGUE ENERGY, INC.
D.T.E. 06-36

Date: July 26, 2006

Responsible: Joseph A. Ferro, Manager Regulatory Policy

SPR 2-1: Please refer to Attachment DTE 1-4 furnished by Bay State in response to Information Request DTE 1-4 from the Department Staff. Please provide an electronic copy of this attachment in Excel format which identifies the referenced suppliers.

RESPONSE: The Excel file will be e-mailed to the Hearing Officer and the attorney for Sprague Energy, without supplier names. Once Bay State and the attorney for Sprague have executed a non-disclosure agreement, the file will be re-sent with supplier names. This file will also be e-mailed to any other interested party upon request.

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SPR 2-2: Please refer to the Bay State response to Information Request AG 1-9 from the Attorney General. Please provide the latest "Forecast and Supply Plan".

RESPONSE: Attachment SPR 2-2 (Bulk) is Bay State's Load Forecast and Supply Plan which was filed on November 15, 2002 and docketed as DTE 02-75. Due to the voluminous nature of the filing, only one copy will be provided to the DTE, one copy to the AG and one copy to the requestor. A copy will only be sent to other parties to this docket upon request.

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SPR 2-3: Please refer to Attachment SPR 1-1 furnished by Bay State in response to Information Request SPR 1-1 from the Sprague Energy. Please provide an electronic copy of this attachment in Excel format.

RESPONSE: The Excel file will be e-mailed to the Hearing Officer and the attorney for Sprague Energy. This file will also be e-mailed to any other interested party upon request.

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SPR 2-4: Please refer to the Order Initiating Investigation dated July 18, 2006 issued by the Maine Public Utilities Commission in Docket No. 2006-390 (the "Maine Order"). Please provide (without redactions) the full 2006 Integrated Resource Plan filing made by Bay State's affiliate, Northern Utilities, with the Maine Public Utilities Commission on or about June 29, 2006, including the following items referenced on page 2 of the Maine Order:

"Northern's filing contains the Long Range Integrated Forecast and System Gas Supply Resource Plan for the Maine Division and the New Hampshire Division and schedules regarding Northern's resource planning process, forecasting and modeling information, and capacity mitigation revenues."

RESPONSE: Bay State would like to note that the Company's position is that the Northern IRP and the associated portfolio is unrelated to BSG's portfolio and firm requirements, and is, therefore, irrelevant to this proceeding.

However, Northern's IRP can be found in the Virtual Case File located on the Maine Public Utilities Commission's website (www.maine.gov/mpuc) or, more directly at:

http://mpuc.informe.org/easyfile/easyweb.php?func=easyweb_query

The Case ID is 2006390.